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In re application of:

Lloyd Wolfinbarger, Jr.

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Examiner: Jackson, S.

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For: "Process for Cleaning Bone Grafts Using Centrifugal Force..."

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

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The Assistant Commissioner of
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Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

This amendment is submitted responsive to the Office Action issued in the above-identified application dated October 27, 1998, making a response due on or before January 27, 1999.

In The Drawings:

Submitted herewith, please find substitute informal Fig. 5, correcting the reference characters such that each reference character designates only one element.

In The Specification:

Page 6, line 2, delete "13" and insert after "cut bone graft" -- 13--;

line 4, delete "disk 14" and insert -- primary disk 14a --;

line 6, delete "disk 14" and insert -- primary disk 14a --, and delete "second disk 18" and insert -- first disk 18a--;

ne line 8, delete "18" and insert -- 18a--;

line 9, delete "The disks 18 and graft 13" and insert -- The graft 13 and disks 18a and 18, where the graft 13 is disposed between the first disk 18a and the second disk 18, --;

line 10, delete "second disks 14" and insert -- second primary disks 14a and 14, --; and

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